

# SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

The School District of Fairfield County School District

Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 3,108

Superintendent: Dr. Floride Calvert Board Chair: Andrea Harrison

# **PERFORMANCE**

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD A	ND SILVER AWARD	ESEA/FEDERAL A	ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	В	N/A
2011	Below Average	Excellent	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2010	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA

# ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	2	8	3	6

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PASS	PASS						
PASS	2012 Reading	2012 Math	2012 Science	2012 Social Studies	2012 Writing		
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above		
District	63.6%	61.9%	61.1%	66.4%	58.1%		
Districts with Students Like Ours**	58.2%	56.2%	50.6%	56.2%	59.6%		
Average District	74.9%	74.3%	72.1%	74.8%	74.0%		

PASS	2012 Reading	2012 Math	2012 Science	2012 Social Studies	2012 Writing
	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary
District	25.2%	20.8%	11.6%	22.3%	20.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	23.7%	17.8%	9.6%	14.9%	21.1%
Average District	42.7%	36.3%	24.8%	34.6%	37.3%

HSAP			
HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	63.4%	26.3%	10.2%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	65.2%	18.7%	16.1%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2012	2 (%)
District	84.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	86.2%

District	49.5%		
Districts with Students Like Ours**	48.6%		

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)	
District	76.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.8%

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#### NAEP

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRAD	)E 4 (	(2011)					
South Carolina		39	33	22		]6	
Nation		34	34	2	5	7	
READING – GRADE 8 (2011)							
South Carolina		28	45		2	5 2	
Nation		25	43		29	9 3	
	%	Below Basic	% Basic, Profici	ent, an	d Adva	nced	
■ Below Basic □ E	Basic	☐ Proficient	Advanced				
MATH – GRADE 4 (2011)							

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South Carolina	21	43	31	5
Nation	18	42	33	6
MATH – GRADE 8	(2011)			
South Carolina	30	38	25	7
Nation	28	39	26	8
C	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient,	and Advanc	ed
■ Below Basic □ E	Basic Proficie	nt Advanced		

SCIENCE - GRA	ADE 4 (	2009)	ı				
South Carolina		28	38		;	33	1
Nation		29	39		,	32	1
SCIENCE – GRA	ADE 8 (	2009)					
South Carolina		45	32		22	1	
Nation		38	33		28	1	
	Q	6 Below Basic	% Basic, Profici	ent,	and Ad	dvanced	
Below Basic	Basic	☐ Proficient	■ Advanced				

#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# The School District of Fairfield County School District **DISTRICT PROFILE**

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=3,108)				
Retention rate	1.7%	Down from 2.0%	2.4%	2.0%
Attendance rate	96.2%	Down from 97.5%	96.0%	96.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Up from 0.3%	0.8%	0.6%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	0.0%	Down from 12.1%	2.4%	13.5%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	34.8%	49.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	28.3%	Up from 27.9%	28.8%	30.3%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	96	Down from 106	37	59
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	33	Down from 34	18	31
Annual dropout rate	1.5%	Down from 2.7%	2.5%	2.7%
Teachers (n=266)				
Feachers with advanced degrees	58.6%	Up from 57.0%	59.7%	62.4%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Feachers returning from previous year	87.8%	Up from 80.5%	86.9%	91.1%
Feacher attendance rate	93.0%	Down from 94.3%	94.8%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,645	Up 1.8%	\$43,519	\$46,595
/acancies for more than nine weeks	0.0%	No Change	0.5%	0.1%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.0%	Up from 4.5%	5.0%	2.1%
Professional development days/teacher	15.1 days	Up from 12.5 days	11.8 days	12.4 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	1.0	No Change	2.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16.2 to 1	Up from 15.8 to 1	20.8 to 1	21.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.1%	Down from 90.0%	89.6%	89.9%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$13,089	Up 5.1%	\$10,569	\$8,866
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	49.0%	Down from 49.9%	48.7%	53.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	52.1%	Down from 52.4%	51.6%	55.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
Number of schools	8	No Change	4	9
Portable classrooms	2.5%	Down from 3.6%	2.4%	1.4%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	8.0	No Change	4.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	92.9%	Down from 94.4%	96.8%	99.5%
Average administrator salary	\$71,059	Down 3.2%	\$71,059	\$77,744
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
ESEA composite index score  Length of contract = 185+ days.	84.9	N/A	60.8	85.6

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.

# RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

# CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	ESEA Grade
There are no charter schools in this district.			

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#### REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

There are many reasons to celebrate the academic achievements and new accomplishments of The School District of Fairfield County. McCrorey-Liston School of Technology held its first Technology Showcase, spotlighting students and teachers in an evening display of technology innovation and imagination. This year, an Evening High School was implemented to expand and enhance curriculum offerings in a non-traditional setting for our students. As a result, approximately 25 students were able to stay in school and complete their graduation requirements with their peers. McCrorey-Liston School of Technology and Fairfield Elementary School successfully implemented a uniform pilot program to promote their respective school wide themes of technology and leadership. Geiger Elementary School students showcased their performing arts talent through participation in various school and community sponsored events throughout the year. Students attending the Fairfield Career and Technology Center demonstrated excellence by placing in district and state level skills competitions, as well as by attaining a 100% passage rate on state board assessments for cosmetology and for Certified Nursing Assistants. The School District of Fairfield County is committed to ensuring all students are college and career ready. Students were given access to a variety of technology tools such as iPods, iPads, and Google Chromebooks to ensure they are globally competitive and are able to perform at high levels. Additionally, high school students had the opportunity to receive dual credit by taking Psychology 101 and Criminal Justice from USC Lancaster during the fall and spring semesters. 100% of students enrolled earned high school and college credits as result of successfully passing these courses. The graduating class of 2012 earned over 2 million dollars in scholarships to continue their education. Additionally, Fairfield Central High School, Fairfield Magnet for Math and Science, McCrorey-Liston School of Technology, and Kelly Miller Elementary were recognized by the Education Oversight Committee (EOC) for closing the achievement gap and/or raising student achievement based upon state assessment results. Fairfield Middle School earned adequate yearly progress (AYP), for the first time since the inception of the School Report Card. This year marked the implementation of Teaching and Learning Cohorts (TLCs). Teachers participated in focused professional development which was held three times during the year and was led by various TLC facilitators. These sessions addressed best practices in technology integration, differentiated instruction, arts integration, and classroom management. Additionally, intense training and focus were placed on the development and support of induction teachers in our district. Currently, 57 educators are certified as mentors by the State Department of Education to provide support and assistance to induction teachers. In partnership, with the total community and the Board of Trustees, we will continue to strive toward excellence by example by developing leaders for the 21st century and beyond.

Dr. Floride Calvert, Interim Superintendent